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To respond to consumer complaints, unfair and deceptive business practices, and provide consumer education.

The Division has a three-pronged approach to consumer protection: education, registration and enforcement.

"The consumer has
the right to safety,
the right to be informed,
the right to choose,
the right to be heard,
the right to consumer education."

What Does the Division of Consumer Protection Do?

The Division of Consumer Protection administers and enforces the following Utah laws:

Business Opportunity Disclosure Act
Charitable Solicitations Act
Consumer Sales Practices Act
Credit Services Organizations Act
Health Spa Services Protection Act
Identity Fraud Act
Music Licensing Act
New Motor Vehicle Warranties Act (Lemon Law)
Prize Notices Regulation Act
Personal Introduction Services Protection Act
Telephone Fraud Prevention Act
Telephone and Facsimile Solicitation Act
Unfair Practices Act

These laws encompass various aspects of consumer protection including:

- Deceptive advertising
- Sales misrepresentations
- A Pyramid scheme/plans
- Travel scams
- Chain letters
- Fraudulent business opportunities
- New automobile warranty problems
- Repair complaints
- Illegal charities
- Health spa contracts
- Consumer credit repair scams
- ♣ Telemarketing/recovery rooms
- Three-day right-to-cancel
- # "Free" ad offers

- A Bait and switch
- Automated telephone calls
- Consumer education
- Free prize offers
- ♣ Door-to-door sales
- Dating services
- Retail rainchecks
- A Retail refunds
- Unfair competition
- Credit repair programs
- ♣ Deceptive labeling
- ▲ Identity fraud

Nine Warning Signs That A Caller Could Be A Crook

- 1. High-pressure sales tactics.
- Insistence on an immediate decision.
- The offer sounds too good to be true.
- 4. A request for your credit card number for a purpose other than to make a purchase.
- An offer to send someone to pick up money or some other method, such as overnight mail, to get your money quickly.
- A "free" offer includes a requirement that you pay for something.
- 7. An investment is "without risk."
- 8. Written information or references are "unavailable."
- A suggestion that the purchase or investment be made on the basis of "trust."

➢ REMEMBER! <</p>
IF IT SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE,
IT PROBABLY IS!

With the stroke of your pen you can reduce junk mail and junk calls.

The Direct Marketing Association provides two services to help you reduce unwanted telephone calls and junk mail called the Telephone and Mail Preference Services.

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